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March 6, 2012

To:

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From:

William T Fujioka

Chief Executive Officer

STATUS REPORT ON PHASE II OF THE COUNTYWIDE BIOTECHNOLOGY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

On July 19, 2011, your Board instructed the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Director of Health Services, and other appropriate County departments to launch Phase II of a Countywide Biotechnology Partnership Program, as described in the CEO's June 29, 2011 memo, by: coordinating with your Board offices to develop a Statement of Work (SOW) within 30 days; engaging a consultant to develop a proposed master plan; and developing a written report back to your Board with Phase II findings, the proposed master plan and recommendations.

This is to provide your Board with a second status report as to our efforts on Phase II of the biotech program.

After working with your Board offices to finalize the SOW, we completed and released the Request for Proposals for a Feasibility Assessment and Master Plan for a Los Angeles Biotechnology Cluster on February 8, 2012. Proposals are due March 9, 2012 and we anticipate completion of the evaluation process and selection of a consultant by April 2012.

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In addition, we plan to prepare and submit a Board letter by May 2012 to approve the selected consultant. An updated timeline for Phase II will be provided to your Board when we return for approval of the consultant agreement.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Sheila Shima at (213) 974-1160.

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